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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

KIRK D. SANDERS, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/322,708

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For: **BACKGROUND TEST SYSTEM FOR TIME  
DIVISION MULTIPLEXING SWITCHING  
SYSTEMS**

Art Group: 2665

Examiner: Duc Chi Ho

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to August 05, 2004, from the Office Action dated April 05, 2004. The petition filing fee of \$110.00 and Amendment and Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

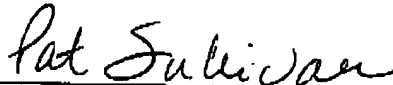
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